## **Kanen Tours**

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# Discover Croatia

featuring Venice, the Dalmatian Coast and Slovenia October 8 - 21, 2012



13 Days ● 18 Meals: 12 Breakfasts ● 6 Dinners









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**Highlights...** Venice • Bled • Pletna Boat Ride • Wine Tasting • Plitvice Lakes National Park Dubrovnik • Split • Diocletian's Palace • Opatija

### Book by Apr 08, 2012: Double \$3,799; Single \$4,499; Triple \$3,769

Double \$3,899; Single \$4,599; Triple \$3,869 if booked after Apr 08, 2012

Rates are Per Person\*(see terms)

#### **Included in Price:**

Round Trip Air from San Francisco Intl Airport, Air Taxes and Fees/Surcharges of \$150 (subject to increase until paid in full), Hotel Transfers

#### Not included in price:

Cancellation Waiver and Insurance of \$200 per person

#### **COLLETTE EXPERIENCES**

- ★ Visit three of Europe's most beautiful countries: Italy, Slovenia and Croatia.
- ★ Enjoy a cruise around the islands of Venice while staying near the city for two nights
- ★ Spend three nights in Dubrovnik, the "Pearl of the Adriatic."
- ★ Breathe in the mountain air around the lakeside retreat of Bled.
- ★ Travel out to the island church of St. Mary's aboard a "pletna" boat.
- ★ Walk the seaside promenade in the Hapsburg resort town of Opatija, Croatia's "Riviera."
- ★ Discover the magnificence of the ancient Roman Palace of Diocletian in the center of ancient Split.
- ★ Experience the wonder of 16 cascading lakes at Croatia's Plitvice National Park.

#### Day 1: Monday, October 08, 2012 Overnight Flight

Join Collette Vacations and explore Croatia and the countries of the Adriatic. This is a "must see" region filled with ancient cities, medieval architecture, unique cultures, rolling hills, and stunning coastal scenery.

#### Day 2: Tuesday, October 09, 2012 Venice, Italy - Tour Begins

Upon arrival into Venice you will transfer to your hotel near the city. Before dinner you

are free to take the train into Venice to explore this island city on your own. This evening, join your fellow travelers for a special welcome dinner. *Today dinner will be included*.

#### Day 3: Wednesday, October 10, 2012 Venice

Travel by train into the city where your day begins with a boat trip (weather permitting) to Murano Island for an intimate and informative glass making demonstration. Next, return to Venice and visit charming St. Mark's Square, the lively hub of the city's activity and events. A local expert will guide you on a walking tour of the area featuring St. Mark's Basilica, a stop outside the Doge's Palace, the Bridge of Sighs, and the Clock Tower with its famous Moors. *Today breakfast will be included*.

#### Day 4: Thursday, October 11, 2012 Venice - Bled, Slovenia

After breakfast, board your coach for a drive through the Mediterranean countryside crossing the border into neighboring Slovenia. Along the way, you will stop at a charming winery where you have the opportunity to sample some locally produced varieties. Upon arrival into Bled, you will have time to relax before enjoying a fine dinner. Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

#### Day 5: Friday, October 12, 2012 Bled

Today you'll explore Bled from the water. Enjoy the old-world charm of taking a "pletna" boat to the island on the lake to visit the 17th century cathedral, St. Mary's Church and the "wishing bell." The rest of the day is at leisure to relax and explore charming Bled on your own. Today breakfast will be included.

#### Day 6: Saturday, October 13, 2012 Bled - Plitvice Lakes, Croatia

After breakfast, travel into Croatia and visit its most beautiful national park, Plitvice Lakes, a stunning example of a UNESCO World Heritage site. Enjoy awe-inspiring scenery as you travel through this natural phenomenon of sixteen terraced lakes surrounded by forests and thick vegetation. A series of waterfalls and free flowing cascades connects each lake to the other. A short cruise on the lake takes you into the heart of this natural wonder. Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

#### Day 7: Sunday, October 14, 2012 Plitvice Lakes - Dubrovnik

This morning, continue south through the heart of Croatia, towards the medieval city







of Dubrovnik. Along the way, enjoy some breathtaking views of the beautiful blue waters of the Adriatic Sea. Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

#### Day 8: Monday, October 15, 2012 Dubrovnik

Join an expert local guide on a tour of "Old Dubrovnik," a UNESCO World Heritage site. Visit the Franciscan Monastery, where Europe's oldest pharmacy lies; Rector's Palace, the City Walls, and many more historical sites. The remainder of the day is at leisure to explore this fascinating city on your own or join us for an optional excursion outside the city. Today breakfast will be included.

#### Day 9: Tuesday, October 16, 2012 **Dubrovnik**

The day is at leisure to explore Dubrovnik, enjoy the rocky coastline and crystal blue waters, or to join your fellow companions on an optional trip to Montenegro. This evening, travel to the culturally rich Konavle region for a countryside dinner. While visiting with your host family, you will learn about life in the Croatian heartland, while the servers, dressed in traditional costumes, serve you a culinary feast prepared in the customary way of their ancestors. Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

#### Day 10: Wednesday, October 17, 2012 **Dubrovnik - Split**

Today, enjoy stunning sea views as you travel up the winding coastal road, hugging the sheer cliffs that drop into the aquamarine Adriatic Sea. Enjoy a stop in a quaint village in the Croatian countryside. You will have time to taste the local specialties and perhaps walk through the village square. Later, continue on to your hotel located in the center of Split. Today breakfast will be included.

#### Day 11: Thursday, October 18, 2012 Split

Today you experience Split's impressive Roman Palace of Diocletian, one of the most significant late-Roman historical monuments and a UNESCO World Heritage site. In addition, see the peristyle of the palace and the Temple of Jupiter. The remainder of your day is free for you to explore the winding streets of the old city. Today breakfast will be included.

Day 12: Friday, October 19, 2012

#### Split - Opatija

Travel up the coast to the seaside community of Opatija, summer retreat for Roman Caesars and Hapsburg monarchs. Upon arrival, enjoy a brief orientation tour of the town center before proceeding to your hotel in the heart of Opatija. The remainder of your day is at leisure to enjoy Croatia's "Riviera." Your Tour Manager will be on hand to offer suggestions on how to spend your day. Today breakfast will be included.

#### Day 13: Saturday, October 20, 2012 Opatija - Venice, Italy

Enjoy a relaxing morning in Opatija before boarding your coach for a return trip to Italy. This afternoon you can travel into Venice on your own or relax at your hotel before joining your fellow travelers for a farewell dinner to celebrate the end of a marvelous journey around the Adriatic. Today breakfast and dinner will be included.

#### Day 14: Sunday, October 21, 2012 Venice - Tour Ends

Your tour ends in Venice this morning. Today breakfast will be included.

#### Experience It! Dubrovnik

A group of refugees from Epidaurum (today's Cavtat) founded Dubrovnik in the first half of the 7th century. The city was under the protection of the Byzantine Empire through the 12th century. From 1205-1358, Dubrovnik fell under the sovereignty of Venice. Dubrovnik ruled itself as a free state between the 14th century and 1808 as the Republic of Dubrovnik. It flourished in the 15th and 16th centuries and became the chief shipping rival to Venice. A devastating earthquake in 1667 killed over 5,000 citizens and marked the beginning of the decline for the Republic. The Republic officially met its final demise in 1808 after Napoleon's armies conquered it and Marshal Marmont abolished the Republic and integrated it into the Illyrian provinces. Since 1808, Dubrovnik has fallen under attack, been occupied and annexed several times, most recently as part of the second Yugoslavia (1945-1991); however, it continues to be one of the most beautiful and fascinating cities on the entire Adriatic. With its medieval walls that surround the old city, and the ancient buildings contained within, Dubrovnik is a UNESCO World Heritage site unlike any other.

YOUR ITINERARY AT A GLANCE		
Day	1	Overnight Flight
Day	2, 3	Crowne Plaza Hotel, Venice Region,
Day	4, 5	Golf Hotel, Bled
Day	6	Jezero Hotel, Plitvice
Day	7 - 9	Valamar Lacroma Resort, Dubrovnik or
-		Dubrovnik President, Dubrovnik
Day	10, 11	President Hotel, Split
Day	12	Hotel Bristol, Opatija
Day	13	Crowne Plaza Hotel, Venice Region,
On some dates alternate hotels may be used.		

#### Please Note:

Air rate and schedule are applicable for groups of 10 or more traveling on the same flights and dates.

Single accommodations are limited and are available on a first come, first served basis.

To complete your vacation, we <u>include</u> roundtrip airport-to-hotel transfers when purchasing Collette airfare with your tour. If you have arranged for your <u>own air</u>, we are pleased to provide you the option of *purchasing* these transfers. Please note that all transfers will leave at prescheduled times

Based on return flight options, an early morning departure from the hotel may be required on the

This tour includes moderate physical activity. The itinerary blends some longer days with shorter days and more leisure time. Walking tours, as well as walking slightly longer distances, up stairs or on uneven walking surfaces should be expected.

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#### IMPORTANT RESERVATION INFORMATION

IDENTIFICATION

Passports are required for this tour at your expense. Certain countries require a minimum of 6 months passport validity. You are strongly urged to contact the appropriate consulate for details. Visit www.travel.state.gov for the U.S. State Department for the latest details about passports and visa requirements.

IMPORTANT: We recommend that our clients traveling abroad take a photocopy of their passport and applicable visas. It should be packed separately from your actual passport and visa. We also recommend leaving a copy at home with your emergency contact.

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Checked Baggage Charges: Some airlines may impose additional charges if you choose to check any baggage. Please contact your airline or refer to its website for detailed information regarding your airline's checked baggage policies, as fees vary by airline and destination.

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